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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505

24 JAN 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR Chairman, Cabinet Committee on  
International Narcotics Control  
(CCINC)

SUBJECT: USIB Study on Intelligence Activities  
Against Narcotics and Dangerous  
Drugs

1. In its review of the international narcotics problem, the Cabinet Committee concluded that the U. S. Government's greatest emphasis with respect to the problem should be on gathering intelligence and on strengthening foreign narcotics law enforcement. In support of this conclusion, I charged the Critical Collection Problems Committee (CCPC) of the USIB with conducting a review of our foreign intelligence effort and with making recommendations for improvements in our overall intelligence on illicit narcotics activities abroad. The CCPC examined the subject in considerable depth and prepared the attached study which was approved by the USIB on 11 January 1973. For your information, the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs (BNDD) of the Department of Justice, the Bureau of Customs of the Treasury Department and the Office of National Narcotics Intelligence participated in the drafting and have concurred in the report.

2. I have directed implementation of those CCPC recommendations approved by the Board which fall within the purview of the intelligence community. You may wish to request similar action by those agencies not formally within the intelligence community structure who have a role with respect to narcotics and who share responsibility for implementation of some of the USIB-approved actions.

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3. The CCPC will continue to review and monitor the U. S. narcotics intelligence effort abroad, to keep the USIB informed of the status of this effort, to determine additional actions which should be taken, and to make recommendations for the improvement of the overall effort. You will be kept advised of progress in this area.

Signed

Richard Helms  
Director

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